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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

SUBJECT : Project CORONA

Herewith is a paper for your signature which will formalize for internal CIA purposes your approval of Project CORONA and authorize me to administer the Project in much the same way that AQUATONE (now renamed CHALICE) has been administered. Although this would formally direct the Agency Comptroller to seek funds from the Agency Reserve, this action has in fact already been accomplished and the authority contained in the attached is merely to clear the record.

This memorandum was drafted by Mr. Saunders and I have asked that it be approved by the General Counsel before you sign it. (The General Counsel has now been made witting of CORONA so that I may have his assistance as required in the contracting and business aspects of that Project).

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RICHARD M. BISSELL, JR.

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NRO review(s) completed.

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